

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 895**

**Introduced by Assembly Member Walters**

February 18, 2005

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An act relating to the environment.

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AB 895, as introduced, Walters. Environment: California Environmental Protection Agency.

The Governor's Reorganization Plan No. 1 of 1991, which was not fully statutorily implemented, created the California Environmental Protection Agency, transferred the State Air Resources Board, the California Integrated Waste Management Board, the State Water Resources Control Board, and the California regional water quality control boards to the agency and created the Department of Toxic Substances Control and the Department of Pesticide Regulation within that agency.

This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would consolidate, into a unified program under the authority of the California Environmental Protection Agency, the emergency response program of the Department of Toxic Substances Control, the business plan and accident release program of the Office of Emergency Services, the Marine Facilities Division of the State Lands Commission, and the oil spill unit of the California Coastal Commission.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1     SECTION 1. The Legislature declares its intent to enact  
2     legislation that would consolidate the following programs into a  
3     unified program under the authority of the California  
4     Environmental Protection Agency:  
5     (a) The emergency response program of the Department of  
6     Toxic Substances Control.  
7     (b) The business plan and accident release program of the  
8     Office of Emergency Services.  
9     (c) The Office of Spill Prevention and Response of the  
10    Department of Fish and Game.  
11    (d) The Marine Facilities Division of the State Lands  
12    Commission.  
13    (e) The oil spill unit of the California Coastal Commission.

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